

IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
FOR THE DISTRICT OF COLORADO  
**Judge Philip A. Brimmer**

Civil Action No. 15-cv-02756-PAB-STV

ISMAEL LEE VELASCO,

Plaintiff,

v.

MR. STANCIL (Warden),  
MR. MALDONADO (Officer),  
MR. ARMIJO (Lt. Officer), and  
Unknown FCI Officers in SHU, all in their private and professional capacity,

Defendants.

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**ORDER ACCEPTING MAGISTRATE JUDGE'S RECOMMENDATION**

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This matter is before the Court on the Recommendation of United States Magistrate Judge Scott T. Varholak filed on January 9, 2017 [Docket No. 73]. The Recommendation states that objections to the Recommendation must be filed within fourteen days after its service on the parties. See 28 U.S.C. § 636(b)(1)(C). The Recommendation was served on January 9, 2017. No party has objected to the Recommendation.

In the absence of an objection, the district court may review a magistrate judge's recommendation under any standard it deems appropriate. See *Summers v. Utah*, 927 F.2d 1165, 1167 (10th Cir. 1991); see also *Thomas v. Arn*, 474 U.S. 140, 150 (1985) (“[i]t does not appear that Congress intended to require district court review of a magistrate's factual or legal conclusions, under a *de novo* or any other standard, when neither party objects to those findings”). In this matter, the Court has reviewed the

Recommendation to satisfy itself that there is “no clear error on the face of the record.”<sup>1</sup>  
Fed. R. Civ. P. 72(b), Advisory Committee Notes. Based on this review, the Court has  
concluded that the Recommendation is a correct application of the facts and the law.  
Accordingly, it is

**ORDERED** as follows:

1. The Recommendation of United States Magistrate Judge [Docket No. 73] is  
ACCEPTED.
2. Defendants’ Motion to Dismiss [Docket No. 42] is GRANTED.
3. Plaintiff’s Amended Complaint [Docket No. 8] is dismissed without prejudice.
4. This case is closed.

DATED January 27, 2017.

BY THE COURT:

s/Philip A. Brimmer  
PHILIP A. BRIMMER  
United States District Judge

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<sup>1</sup>This standard of review is something less than a “clearly erroneous or contrary to law” standard of review, Fed. R. Civ. P. 72(a), which in turn is less than a de novo review. Fed. R. Civ. P. 72(b).